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A Weekly Compilation of Environmental Education News from Across Louisiana

WORKSHOPS

LSTA to Host Regional Workshops on Framework for K-12 Science Education

Explore the three Dimensions of the Framework for K-12 Science Education, the vision for the *Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)* at an LSTA workshop for your Region. Each workshop is designed for members of LSTA (grades K-12). Workshops are limited to *30 participants* so register with the presenter from your region soon! Door prizes and refreshments will be provided.

Region	When	Where	Presenters
2	August 24 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	Covington Educational Center 71460 Edna Street Covington, LA 71460	Paulette Perrin, Kim Wood
To register, contact Dr. Paulette Perrin at paulette.perrin@stpsb.org			
4	August 31 9:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	South Street Elementary 409 E. South St. Opelousas, LA 70571	April Stone LaShondra Taylor

To register, contact April Stone at als0520@slp.k12.la.us

Energy4me "Energize Your Classroom" Workshop; Deadline September 16.

Energy4me, the Society of Petroleum Engineers' (SPE) energy education outreach program, is inviting 100 New Orleans-area science teachers (grades 4-12) to learn how to teach energy topics in a fun and exciting way Wednesday, 2 October, 7:30–3:00 during ATCE! Educators will receive comprehensive, objective information about the scientific concepts of energy and its importance, while discovering the world of oil and natural gas exploration and production. There is no cost for teachers to attend the workshop thanks to the generous sponsorship of ExxonMobil. Breakfast and lunch will be provided, teachers will receive a form at the workshop for substitute reimbursement, and one parking pass will be mailed to each school represented. A variety of free instructional materials will be available to take back to the classroom. <http://www.spe.org/atce/2013/pages/education/teacher/index.php>

NOAA Ocean Exploration Workshop New Orleans; Deadline September 20

NOAA's Ocean Exploration Program and partners offer the Okeanos Explorer Education Materials Collection, *Why Do We Explore?* Professional Development Workshops for Educators. Participants will receive curriculum with CD-ROM's, certificates of participation, and more. Contact the noted educator or check out the website for registration and more information. *Why Do We Explore?* October 12, 2013 with Audubon Aquarium of the Americas in New Orleans, Louisiana. The deadline for application is September 20, 2013. Contact Tricia LeBlanc at tbleblanc@AudubonInstitute.org

WORKSHOPS CONTINUED

Two Lafayette Workshop Opportunities: Introduction to Wetlands Remote Sensing Workshop and Advanced Photo Interpretation Workshop.

Please see the attached flyers and registration forms for more information or you may contact Ashley Kidd at 337-482-0670.

CONFERENCES

Abstract Submission and Registration Now Open for the 2014 Gulf of Mexico Oil Spill & Ecosystem Science Conference. January 26-29th, 2014 Mobile Alabama.

Please visit: <http://gulfofmexicoconference.org/> for more information on the conference.

GRANTS

Ben & Jerry's Foundation Grassroots Organizing for Social Change Program; Deadline September 13

The Ben & Jerry's Foundation offers competitive grants to not-for-profit, grassroots community organizations working to bring about progressive social change by addressing the underlying conditions of societal and environmental problems. The next deadline for application is September 13, 2013

<http://www.benandjerrysfoundation.org/the-grassroots-organizing-for-social-change-program.html>

Captain Planet Foundation Grants; Deadline September 30

The Captain Planet Foundation provides grants to school and community groups to support hands-on environmental projects for youth in grades K-12. The objective of the foundation is to encourage innovative programs that empower youth to work individually and collectively to solve environmental problems in their neighborhoods and communities.

<http://captainplanetfoundation.org/apply-for-grants/>

Toshiba K-5 Math & Science Grants ; Deadline October 1

K-5 grade teachers are invited to apply for a Toshiba America Foundation grant to help bring an innovative hands-on project into their classrooms. <http://www.toshiba.com/taf/k5.jsp>

National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Awarding \$1.2 Million in Urban Waters Grants

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation is awarding over \$1.2 million in grants to 46 community-led organizations working to protect and restore their urban waterways. The Five Star/Urban Waters Restoration Program is funded through a public/private partnership that includes EPA's Urban Waters Program and the U.S. Forest Service's Urban and Community Forestry Program and is in conjunction with the Urban Waters Federal Partnership. This nationwide grant program supports on-the-ground, community based conservation, outreach and education/training projects that are focused on improving water quality in urban rivers, downstream from forested land, especially in underserved communities. For more information on the grants, visit <http://urbanwaters.gov/nfwf.html>.

Supplemental GOMA PIT Project Funding Opportunity; Extended to September 6, 5pm

The Gulf of Mexico Alliance Headquarters Office is facilitating a Request for Proposals on behalf the Alliance Management Team. See the attached PDF file for detailed information. This information is directed at the Environmental Education Priority Issue Team. Those from other issue teams should contact their team coordinator or state lead.

Environmental Education (EE) Priority Issue Team members should submit their proposals to EE Team Coordinator Lee Yokel (Lyokel@disl.org) at the Dauphin Island Sea Lab (DISL) by 5pm CDT on Thursday, August 22, 2013. The Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR, Alliance EE State's Lead) and the DISL (EE Organization Coordinator) will review the proposals. Should the Dauphin Island Sea Lab participate in any proposals, it will not be part of the review process. Notifications will be made and selected proposals will be submitted to GOMA HQ by ADCNR/DISL on September 1, 2013. The Alliance AMT will make the final selections.

Louisiana Team Leads are: Ann Wilson, ann.wilson@la.gov and Dianne Lindstedt, dlindst@lsu.edu

RESOURCES

Website Offers Lists of Available Grants

For some good tips and to receive a free state-specific listing of grants tailored for your school level or organization: <http://www.stemgrants.com>

August 2013 Picture Post Newsletter Available

The Picture Post environmental monitoring project is a citizen science initiative funded by NASA to create opportunities for informal and formal science educators and the community-at-large to collaborate by sharing digital photographs from Picture Post sites. Visit: <http://picturepost.unh.edu/>

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LPB Presents Additional Broadcasts of the "The Whooping Crane's Majestic Return"

LPB's statewide network - Wednesday, Aug. 21 at 10 p.m.

WLAE-TV in New Orleans - Friday, Aug. 23 at 8 p.m.

LPB's statewide network - Wednesday, Sept. 4 at 8 p.m.

The program is also available on-line through the end of August at www.lpb.org/alive.

New Book: *Women Pioneers of the Louisiana Environmental Movement* by Peggy Frankland

Women Pioneers of the Louisiana Environmental Movement provides a window into the passion and significance of thirty-eight committed individuals who led a grassroots movement in a socially conservative state. The book is comprised of oral history narratives in which women activists share their motivation, struggles, accomplishments, and hard-won wisdom. Additionally interviews with eight men, all leaders who worked with or against the women, provide more insight into this rich--and also gendered--history. The book sheds light on Louisiana and America's social and political history, as well as the national environmental movement in which women often emerged to speak for human rights, decent health care, and environmental protection. By illuminating a crucial period in Louisiana history, the women tell how "environmentalism" emerged within a state already struggling with the dual challenges of adjusting to the civil rights movement and the growing oil boom.

Peggy Frankland, an environmental activist herself since 1982, worked with a team of interviewers, especially those trained at Louisiana State University's T. Harry Williams Center for Oral History. Together they interviewed forty women pioneers of the state environmental movement. Frankland's work also was aided by a grant from the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities. In this compilation, she allows the women's voices to provide a clear picture of how their smallest actions impacted their communities, their families, and their way of life. Some experiences were frightening, some were demeaning, and many women were deeply affected by the individual persecution, ridicule, and scorn their activities brought. But their shared victories reveal the positive influence their activism had on the lives of loved ones and fellow citizens.

Author Peggy Frankland will be at Central Library in Lake Charles at 6pm on Tuesday, August 27 to discuss her new book. Book signing & refreshments to follow.

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